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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)				Docket Number (Optional)		
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Application Number 10/599,662				Filed October 4, 20	Filed October 4, 2006	
For Method and Apparatus for the Surgical Treatment of Congestive Heart Failure						
Art Unit 3766				Examiner PORTER	Examiner PORTER, JR., GARY A.	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.						
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):						
	_		<u>Fee</u>	Small Entity Fee	0.5	
	<b>✓</b>	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$130	\$65	\$ <u>65</u>	
		Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$490	\$245	\$	
		Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1110	\$555	\$	
		Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1730	\$865	\$	
		Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2350	\$1175	\$	
<b>√</b>	Applica	nt claims small entity status. See 37 CFR	1.27.			
	A chec	κ in the amount of the fee is enclosed.				
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	The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.					
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I am the applicant/inventor.						
assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.						
	Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).  attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 32,966					
attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.  Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34						
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- 		Signature		-	Date	
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